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Khrushchev Smooths the Way to a "Red Peace"

You have to be a full-blown, goggle-eyed, love-conquers-all optimist to expect much from a new summit conference. As his part in the preliminaries, Chairman Khrushchev has been making it unmistakably plain that surrender is what he is looking for. He stupefied the guests at a reception at the Italian embassy in Moscow by making new threats on Berlin. The Warsaw group of Red satellites sounded the same tune; and Mikoyan rattled the bombs in our face, in the course of a "cultural" visit to Cuba. For those who are susceptible to hypnotism, Mr. K offers the customary fraud of total disarmament. For those who require sterner treatment, he mentions "fantastic new weapons." What he proposes, as Marguerite Higgins has ably pointed out, is "massive retaliation," but so deep is the euphoria into which many Americans have tranquilized themselves that Soviet threats are actually accepted as promises of peace!

As a subsidiary device to weaken Western resistance to the Communist aggression against Berlin, Red agents have undoubtedly stimulated the recent crackpot outbreaks of anti-Semitic acts in various countries. The Soviet connection with this business cannot be proved legally, although the West

could not expect the arrest of... But the fuss already stirred up in "minority" circles in the United States and in Great Britain... Soviet policy is the beneficiary... they do something to bring down a... the summit may find it difficult to stick to their guns on Germany.

This is likely to be difficult anyway, in view of the concessions which have already been made... article in *Orbis*, published by the University of Pennsylvania's Foreign Policy Research Institute headed by Robert Strausz-Hupe, Sen. The Dodd of Connecticut lists the concessions which the West has already made... Although it is widely believed that Khrushchev withdrew, or at least qualified, his ultimatum on Berlin, the Viet dictator's latest outgiving was a threat that unless his wishes were vailed, the Kremlin would negotiate a separate treaty with East Germany "with all the consequences from this."

Senator Dodd, in his *Orbis* article, points out what some of these consequences could be and indicates that they are inevitable unless we restate our original firm position. Included in the stipulation that he discussed only in relation to the cratic reunification of Germany was not isolated as an "abnormal" case crying for correction.

Whatever concessions may have been made up to now, there is no reason why they should compromise the American stand at the summit conference in May. Senator Dodd declares that

